



State of North Carolina

PAT McCrORY

GOVERNOR

STUDENTS@WORK WEEK

2013

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, nearly 20 percent of North Carolina children do not complete high school; and

WHEREAS, middle school is a pivotal point for dropout prevention; and

WHEREAS, the economic future of our state depends upon an educated and skilled workforce; and

WHEREAS, the business community is a crucial partner in the education of North Carolina's students; and

WHEREAS, the chance to explore career options through job shadowing and mentoring opportunities is vital for a student's academic achievement and ability to set goals for the future; and

WHEREAS, nearly 32,000 middle school students participated in Students@Work Week in 2012; and

WHEREAS, Students@Work Week is a partnership between the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction and the North Carolina Business Committee for Education;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Patrick Lloyd McCrory, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim February 25 – March 1, 2013, as “**STUDENTS@WORK WEEK**” in North Carolina, and challenge business leaders across our state to provide job shadowing opportunities for middle school students.



Handwritten signature of Pat McCrory in black ink.

PATRICK LLOYD McCRORY

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this twenty-first day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand and thirteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-seventh.